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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR:

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1. This memorandum is for information only
2. I have received the following four press inquiries during the past 24 hours on the question of Mr. Dulles' retirement and the President's appointment of his successor:
 - a. Alan Emory, Watertown (N.Y.) Times, telephoned yesterday, to ask whether there was any news (no information here, I told him). He mentioned having read the recent tribute to Mr. Dulles by Senator Prouty (in the Congressional Record).
 - b. Don May, UPI, telephoned this morning (before the President's meeting at Newport) to say that UPI was planning a further story on Mr. Dulles' career, and to ask about his present "status". I suggested he check back after ^{the} White House meeting today, if he needed additional information.
 - c. Bob Pierpoint, CBS, telephoned this noon to ask for a television interview with Mr. Dulles today. I declined and thanked him for Mr. Dulles.
 - d. Mike Kraft, UPI, telephoned at 1 p.m. today to ask exactly when the DCI would be back in Washington this afternoon, for the photographer, I expressed regrets that this information was not available.

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